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1. THE SANTIAGO PRESS TODAY REPORTED US ASSISTANT ATTORNEY EUGENE PROPPER'S MARCH 20 MEETING WITH FIRST CRIMINAL COURT JUDGE JUANA GONZALEZ. THE PRESS REPORTS THAT PROPPER CHECKED ON THE STATUS OF THE LETTERS ROGATORY AND AT THE SAME TIME PROVIDED "NEW AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION ESTABLISHING THE TRUE IDENTITIES OF JUAN WILLIAMS AND ALEJANDRO ROMERAL." USG LAWYER ALFREDO ETCHEBERRY ACCOMPANIED PROPPER AND LATER TOLD THE PRESS THAT GONZALEZ'S FINDINGS TO DATE CORROBORATED USG EVIDENCE REGARDING THE IDENTITIES OF THE TWO SUSPECTS. JUDGE GONZALEZ OFFERED NO DETAILS ON THE MEETING, DESCRIBING IT AS A COURTESY CALL BY PROPPER.

2. GOC-OWNED "EL CRONISTA" MARCH 21 CARRIED AN INTERVIEW WITH ARTURO TORRES ECHEVERRIA, IDENTIFIED AS A LAWYER WITH THE BANCO DEL ESTADO. THE LAWYER SAID THAT THE PROPPER VISIT WAS CONTRARY TO CHILEAN LAW AND THAT IT IS "UNACCEPTABLE FOR A PUBLIC OFFICIAL FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY TO INSERT
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HIMSELF IN OUR INTERNAL AFFAIRS." THE LAWYER ALSO CLAIMED THAT "WILLIAMS" AND "ROMERAL" COULD NOT HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE LETELIER ASSASSINATION SINCE THEIR RETURN DATE FROM THE US WAS SEPTEMBER 2, 1976 AND THE CRIME WAS COMMITTED ON SEPTEMBER 21.
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